THE MINISTER OF ENERGY WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ARIF MOHD. KHAN): (a) and (b) The information is being collected and will be laid on the table of the Sabha.

Action against Director (Personnel) of Cement Corporation of India

1261. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the present Director (Personnel) of Cement Corporation of India Limited was issued a show cause notice for initiation of Major penalty proceedings in October, 1989 on the recommendations of the Central Vigilance Commission;

(b) whether it is a fact that neither he has been placed under suspension nor any inquiry officer has been appointed to conduct departmental inquiry till date as reported in the Business Standard, Calcutta of the 22nd January 1990, Patriot, New Delhi on the 15th February, 1990 and Sunday Mail of the 11th March, 1990; and

(c) if so what are the reasons for which no action has been initiated against him so far?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI AJIT SINGH): (a) A charge sheet was issued to Dr. K. D. Gupta, Director (Personnel) of Cement Corporation of India Ltd. in October, 1989 in consultation with the Central Vigilance Commission.

(b) and (c) As per procedure in such cases, the reply of Dr. K. D. Gupta to the charge sheet has been received and the same is under examination. Decision on the proceedings and appointment of an Inquiry Officer will be taken soon after completion of the above process.

Refund of amount to LPG distributors

1262. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Indian Oil Corporation Limited have deducted the commission of LPG distributors in Delhi on cylinder caps and cylinder security nuts for which the distributors have already deposited the security amount and hold equipment receipt vouchers;

(b) if so, whether Indian Oil Corporation Limited propose to refund the amount so deducted and pay interest on the same; and

(c) whether any directive has been issued by his Ministry for immediate payment of money so withheld along with interest?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY): (a) and (b) The commission of dealers was adjusted by Indian Oil Corporation against shortage of security nuts and caps only in cases where they were not in a position to give any documentary evidence of having returned the same. Necessary credit for the same is given to those distributors who are able to establish having returned the security nuts and caps. However, no interest is paid, as per the policy of the Corporation.

(c) No, Sir.

कोयला खानों में कोयले की चोरी

1263. श्री शंकर दयाल सिंह : क्या ऊर्जा मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि विभिन्न कोयला खानों से भारी मात्रा में कोयले की चोरी किये जाने से संबंधित मामले की सूचना सरकार को दी गई है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो पिछले तीन महीनों के दौरान ऐसे कितने मामले की सूचना सरकार को दी गई और इस प्रकार की